

Chairman's Statement On Additional Aircraft Information To Be Presented

In accordance with Article V, paragraph 2, and Annex C of the Treaty, certain mission planning information shall be provided when a State Party designates an observation aircraft. The Flight Rules and Procedures Working Group recommends that, in order to facilitate the mission planning process for a taxi option, the following additional information should be provided:

Total usable fuel (typical) as configured for Open Skies operations.

Ground operation fuel required (standard planning factors for taxi/pre-takeoff).

Take-off fuel required (fuel used from brake release to flaps up configuration).

Climb time, distance and fuel used to the altitudes cited in Annex C.

Normal *en route* cruise (depiction/performance curve representing a range of aircraft gross weights, altitudes and fuel used).

Normal bank angle (if different from standard or half standard rate turns).

En route climbs (depiction/performance curve representing a range of aircraft gross weights, fuel used, distance traveled, and time required).

En route descents (curve representing range, time and fuel used for *en route* descents).

Descent/landing time and fuel (standard planning factors for approach and landing from an Initial Approach Point).

Fuel reserve required at landing/at an alternate site.

Typical aircraft turn-around time during *en route* stops.

Crew duty day limitations.

This information may be provided in text, graph or table format (as appropriate). It may be provided at the time of the Annex C data exchange, aircraft certification or, in the case of a subsequent decision to provide the taxi option, in a timely manner.